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- 1. Transmittal Form (1 page)
- 2. Response to Restriction Requirement (3 pages)

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Art Unit: 3744

Filed: November 14, 2003

Examiner: C. Jiang

For: SYSTEMS FOR REGULATING THE

TEMPERATURE OF A HEATING OR

COOLING DEVICE USING NON-ELECTRIC CONTROLLERS AND NON-ELECTRIC

CONTROLLERS THEREFOR

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 26, 2004 (Paper No. 20041022), which set forth a restriction/election of species requirement for pending claims 1-23. A response was due on November 26, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement between:

- Figs. 1A, 1B and 1C
- II. Figs. 2A, 2B and 2C
- III. Figs. 3A, 3B and 3C
- IV. Figs. 4A, 4B and 4C

The Examiner further requires an election of single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicant hereby elects species II (Figs. 2A, 2B and 2C), without traverse, and identifies claims 1-16, 21 and 22 as being readable upon species II. Although the Examiner has not identified any claims as being generic, Applicant notes that generic claims are pending.

Applicant expressly reserves his right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

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REMARKS

Applicant requests examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

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